

Docket No.: 31174/30000  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Utility Application of:  
G. G. Raju

Application No.: 09/463,024

Confirmation No.: 5778

Filed: February 15, 2002

Art Unit: 1615

For: HYDROXYCITRIC ACID  
COMPOSITIONS, PHARMACEUTICAL  
AND DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS AND  
FOOD PRODUCTS MADE  
THEREFROM, AND METHODS FOR  
THEIR USE IN REDUCING BODY  
WEIGHT

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Examiner: H. S. Ahmed

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This paper is presented in response to the Non-final Office Action dated February 19, 2009, and is timely filed with a petition for a three-month extension of time and the requisite fee.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.